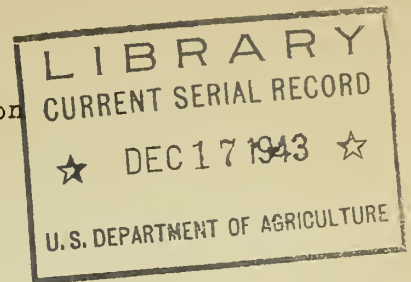


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SPECIAL COMMODITIES BRANCH MEMORANDUM NO. 3

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To: All Divisions and Sections, Special Commodities Branch
From: H. C. Albin, Chief, Special Commodities Branch
Subject: Markings of American Red Cross Packages

We have been informed by Program Liaison that representatives of the American Red Cross have requested that, in accordance with the provisions of the Geneva Conference, no expressions of patriotism or propaganda appear on any of the packages purchased by us for inclusion in their prisoner-of-war packages.

Accordingly, it will be necessary for us to stipulate in every contract, for which the Red Cross is to be the consignee, that no markings which may be construed as propaganda or as expressions of patriotism shall appear on any container, inner or outer, which is delivered under the contract. It should be made clear that this requirement is based upon the necessity of remaining neutral in every respect and that unless the rule is strictly adhered to, the Red Cross Program for feeding prisoners-of-war will lose its effectiveness.

H. C. Albin

